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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 11:33 AM
To: Katz; John W (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: CONFIDENTIAL President/Alaska

This is great. Hope it happens.

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "John Katz" <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>
Date: Thu, 31 Jul 2008 15:33:50 -0400
To: Janice L (GOV) Mason<janice.mason@alaska.gov>; Michael A (GOV) Nizich<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>
CC: ExternalEmailgsp<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: RE: CONFIDENTIAL President/Alaska

I just spoke with the White House. They = don't yet know whether it will be Anchorage or Fairbanks but will get back = to all of us as soon as possible.

They did say with certainty that, if the = President does more while he's in Alaska, the focus won't be on energy = (although I bet he makes some comments on that). The focus might be = on the troops.

John W. = Katz
Director of = State/Federal Relations
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>>> On 7/31/2008 at 3:22 PM, in message = <D12754A53B2AED468149A15236EB76948E8661@SOAJNUMSG02.soa.alaska.gov>, = "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov> wrote:

John - Thank you, I have contacted the White = House today to find out the plane scheduled stop. They are to get = back with me as soon as they are able to let me know the stop time. = I was under the impression that is Anchorage as you have stated but then heard that it may be Eielson (which is =Fairbanks). Do you know if it is

From: John Katz [mailto:jwkatz@AL= ASKADC.org]
Sent: = Thursday, July 31, 2008 11:18 AM
To: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV); ExternalEmailgsp
Subject: CONFIDENTIAL President/Al= aska

I wanted to = make sure you know that the President will do a refueling stop in =Anchorage on August 4. I believe Janice has been informed as well. =

Whether the = President will do more while he's there remains to be seen. We = should hear later today or first thing tomorrow.

Of course, = they would very much like the Governor to be available. More to = come.

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 10:03 AM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: Weekly News Bulletin: Jul. 30-Aug. 5, 2008

From: Waste Business Journal [mailto:info@wastebusinessjournal.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 30, 2008 11:12 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Weekly News Bulletin: Jul. 30-Aug. 5, 2008

Waste Business Journal Weekly News Bulletin: Jul. 30-Aug. 5, 2008

HEADLINES...

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1. REPUBLIC ADOPTS POISON PILL DEFENSE AGAINST WASTE MANAGEMENT

Republic Services adopted a so-called "poison pill" measure apparently intended to thwart Waste Management's takeover attempt. Addressing what they called "disruptive and coercive" acquisition tactics, Republic's board of directors adopted a measure that penalizes purchasers of more than 10 percent of the common stock without board approval. However, the board did make an exception for Cascade Investment LLC, Microsoft Chief Executive Bill Gates' investment vehicle, and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Trust which already own 15 percent. They have permission to acquire up to 20 percent. Waste Management recently affirmed its intent to acquire Republic despite these actions. On July 24, Waste Management filed papers seeking federal approval of its proposed $6.2 billion takeover of Republic...**Read More »**

2. **WASTE MANAGEMENT WILL NOT RULE OUT HOSTILE BID FOR REPUBLIC**

Without giving specific details, Waste Management reiterated its offer to purchase Republic Services and would not rule out the possibilities of a new offer or hostile takeover. After Republic rejected its $34-per-share ($6.2 billion) all-cash purchase offer, Waste Management filed the necessary Notification and Report Form under the Hart-Scott-Rodino (HSR) Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976 in order to purchase a controlling interest through transactions on the market. Waste Management also said that it is in the process of notifying certain states' attorneys general of its HSR filing and of its intent to purchase Republic Services' stock. In response, Republic issued a statement emphasizing that it plans to proceed with its proposed merger with Allied Waste Industries, and that the firm "continues to believe that the merger between Republic and Allied will create significant value-generating opportunities, including significant cost-saving synergies, and is in the best interests of Republic stockholders." Republic added that Waste Management "can only acquire up to $63.1 million worth of Republic common stock without first receiving antitrust clearance from the federal government. "While Republic is aware of our fiduciary duties and will respond to Waste's antitrust notices as appropriate, Republic will continue to guard against opportunistic attempts to disrupt our strategic plans through open market activity or otherwise."..**Read More »**

3. **WASTE MANAGEMENT POSTS SLIGHT DECLINE IN SECOND QUARTER EARNINGS**

Waste Management said that one-time items and rising fuel costs caused second quarter earnings to dip slightly. Nevertheless, the company managed to beat analysts' expectations with earnings of $318 million, or $0.64 per share, on revenue of $3.49 billion compared with earnings of $338 million, or $0.64 per share, on revenue of $3.36 billion in last year's second quarter. Fuel costs rose faster than the company's surcharges to customers creating a lag effect that hurt short-term cash flow. Without the unusual items, earnings would have been up by 12.5 percent. Even so, CEO David P. Steiner said that he is confident the company will meet the upper end of the range its full-year earnings guidance of $2.19 to $2.23 per share announced on April 29...**Read More »**

4. **ALLIED WASTE PRICING HELPS BOOST PROFITS 22% IN 2Q**

Allied Waste Industries reported a 20% rise in net income of $111.4 million or $0.25 per share for the second quarter, from $81.9 million or $0.21 per share in the previous year's quarter. Total revenue for the second quarter was $1.58 billion, an increase of 2.2% from $1.55 billion in the second quarter 2007. The results include a $0.02 per share charge in merger-related costs. Higher pricing and renewed focus on higher margin business more than offset rising fuel costs...**Read More »**

5. **REPUBLIC SERVICES 2Q EARNINGS OFF 29% RELATED TO OHIO LANDFILL**

Republic Services reported a 29 percent decline in second-quarter earnings owing to environmental remediation costs associated with its Countywide landfill in Ohio. The company earned $62.3 million, or $0.34 per share, on revenue of $827.5 million compared with earnings of $87.2 million, or $0.45 per share, on revenue of $808.4 million in the second quarter of last year. During the quarter, the company recorded an after tax charge of $21.8 million, or $0.12 per share related to the landfill project. Without it, the results would have been inline with analysts' expectations. Moreover, the company remains optimistic and is backing its earlier forecast for annual earnings of $1.78 per share to $1.82 per share, excluding the charge for the Countywide facility...**Read More »**

6. **COVANTA SEES 19% GAIN IN 2Q ON HIGHER ENERGY REVENUES**

Covanta Holding Corp. is benefiting from rising landfill tipping fees, especially in the Northeast where many of its projects are located, and from higher revenues from the electricity produced. That helped increase revenues and earnings by 19% in the second quarter. Net income climbed to $44.9 million, or $0.29 a share, from $37.7 million, or $0.24 a share, in the year-ago period. Revenue increased to $423 million. Revenues also were helped by acquisitions and higher prices for recycled metal...**Read More »**

7. **STUDY SAYS LIVESTOCK MANURE COULD MEET 3% OF NORTH AMERICAN ENERGY NEEDS**

A new paper by researchers at the University of Texas postulates that converting livestock manure into biogas has the potential to meet 3% of North America's entire energy needs while greatly helping to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The researchers argue that by employing anaerobic digestion to manure, similar to the way in which compost is created, could generate energy-rich biogas. Hundreds of millions of livestock inhabiting the US could produce approximately 100 billion KW hours of electricity, enough to power millions of homes. Processing the manure rather than allowing it to decompose naturally would avoid emissions of the highly potent greenhouse gases nitrous oxide and methane...**Read More »**

8. **LANDFILL GAS WILL HELP BREW BUDWEISER**

Allied Waste Industries, working with Ameresco, will sell biogas from the company's McCarty Road Landfill in Houston, TX to Anheuser-Busch's brewery there. Gas from the landfill will be used to convert brewing wastewater into fuel. Construction of a pipeline from the landfill is underway and expected to operational later this year. The project represents part of a larger Anheuser-Busch initiative to derive 15% of its energy needs from renewable sources by 2010...**Read More »**

9. **SMURFIT-STONE 2Q EARNINGS LOWER ON HIGHER COMMODITY COSTS**

Packaging and recycler, Smurfit-Stone Container Corp. said it lost $31 million during the second quarter due to higher energy, freight and chemical costs. The loss amounted to $0.12 per share on revenue of $1.84 billion compared with earnings of $15 million, or $0.06 per share on revenue of $1.87 billion in last year's second quarter. According to CEO Patrick J. Moore, "We are seeing unprecedented cost inflation. As a result, our second quarter earnings were negatively impacted by higher-than-expected commodity costs including energy, freight and chemicals. We are raising our selling prices to offset this higher cost inflation, restore profit margins, and improve cash flow in the second half of 2008."..**Read More »**

10. **VEOLIA AND ENERGY SYSTEMS DEVELOP INDIANA LANDFILL GAS-TO-ENERGY PROJECT**

Veolia Environmental Services is working with Energy Systems Group (ESG) to develop a 3.2 Megawatt landfill gas-to-electricity at its Blackfoot Landfill near Winslow in southwestern Indiana. At least two planned expansions over the next five years will increase capacity to 5 megawatts. ESG, which is owned by energy holding company Vectron Corp., will design, build, own and operate the power generation facility on the site of the landfill. ESG is involved with two other landfill gas projects: one in Johnson City, TN, and one in development near Atlanta, GA. Allied Waste is working with Mass.-based Ameresco to develop gas-to-energy project at its nearby Laubscher Meadows Landfill...**Read More »**

11. **STERICYCLE TURNS MEDICAL WASTE INTO SOLID PROFIT**

Medical waste company Stericycle, Inc. said second quarter earnings rose 37% to $38.7 million or $0.44 per share compared with net income of $32 million or $0.36 per share in the same period last year. Revenues grew by 19.3% to $277.8 million from $232.8 million in the same quarter last year. Acquisitions less than 12 months old contributed about $18 million to the growth. Some of those acquisitions have helped Stericycle diversify into other countries, including the U.K. and in Latin America. In 2007, the US accounted for 77% of sales, Europe 16% and others 7%...**Read More »**

12. **BLUEFIRE WINS LA APPROVAL FOR COMMERCIAL**

CELLULOSIC ETHANOL PRODUCTION PLANT

BlueFire Ethanol Fuels, Inc. says that it won Los Angeles county approval to build the nation's first commercial ethanol production plant using yard trimmings, paper, wheat straws and other green wastes. The $30 million facility is to be built in Lancaster, north of Los Angeles, near a landfill which already receives about 170 tons of biowaste material, including woodchips, grass cuttings and other organic waste each day. Once operational in late 2009, the plant is expected to produce 3.2 million gallons of cellulosic ethanol per year. The company wants to build 20 plants across the country in the next seven years, which would altogether produce more than 1 billion gallons of ethanol each year...**Read More »**

13. **MCNEILUS WILL SUPPLY 58 CNG-POWERED GARBAGE TRUCKS FOR NEW YORK CONTRACT**

McNeilus Companies said it had won a contract from the town of Brookhaven, NY to supply them with 58 compressed natural gas (CNG) powered garbage trucks among 11 haulers. The rising cost of oil along with the tax benefits of using green energy is making CNG a more economically compelling alternative. It burns 90% cleaner than standard diesel fuel...**Read More »**

14. **BABCOCK & WILCOX WINS $30 MILLION TO REFURBISH BOILERS AT FLORIDA FACILITY**

Babcock & Wilcox Power Generation Group says it won a $30 million contract with the Solid Waste Authority (SWA) of Palm Beach County to refurbish two of the boilers at the North County Resource Recovery Facility (NCRRF) waste-to-energy plant in West Palm Beach, FL. The refurbished boilers are scheduled to online in August 2010 and January 2011. They will supply 320,000 pounds-per-hour of steam to generate a combined 65 megawatts (MW) of electricity at the plant which currently processes about 2,600 tons of waste per day...**Read More »**

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Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 7:52 PM

To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Mason; Janice L (GOV); Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV)

Subject: Fw: Gov Remarks to Conservative College Group

Governor,

Per your request here are draft remarks for Saturday afternoon. There will be a few changes, as I'm waiting to implement input from Meg and Joe. I can send you a final draft before noon tomorrow.

Also, a little context: your audience cosists of about 195 supporters of the college, and a handful of students. They are an extremely conservative bunch, and were especially interested to hear from you because you represent to them the independence that the US needs to adopt in it's energy policy.

Please let me know if you have any questions, and I'll get you the final in the morning.

Kate

From: Morgan, Katryn L (GOV)
To: Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV); Wilken, Jessica M (GOV)
Sent: Thu Jul 31 15:05:18 2008
Subject: Gov Remarks to Conservative College Group

Joe, Meg, & Sharon,

I would appreciate your looking over these remarks ASAP. The Governor is speaking to 200 friends, supporters, and a few students of Hillsdale College (rural Michigan) on Saturday afternoon about energy. I have incorporated the most current info I have about where we are with the Legislature and TC-AK, as well as data and info on ANWR, off-shore drilling, etc. I'd appreciate feedback, and I need help fleshing out the section about alternative/renewable energy sources in AK. Please get back to me at your earliest convenience. Thanks so much!

P.S. In an op/ed provided to me by our administration, I read that the 2,000 acres we want to use out of ANWR's 20 million acres only constitute 1/1,000th of the total area...my limited math skills (and online sources) confirmed that it is actually **1/10,000th** of the total area. That new data is reflected in the attached remarks.

(1/10 000) of 20 million = 2000

More about calculator.

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From: Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=EFAGERSTROM]

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 7:47 AM

To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'

Subject: Re: House

They're in the basement fridge. I had just asked Diane to bring them and put them in the island or beverage refridgerators upstairs. Will that be okay?

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
To: Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)
Sent: Thu Jul 31 07:42:35 2008
Subject: Re: House

Just in the kitchen wine fridge is all I need at this point. I can bring them up from downstairs... where are they?

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

From: "Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)" <erika.fagerstrom@alaska.gov>
Date: Thu, 31 Jul 2008 07:30:09 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: Re: House

We'll take care of that so they're ready.

----- Original Message -----
From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)
Sent: Thu Jul 31 07:12:48 2008
Subject: Re: House

Yes, we'll need some upstairs.
------Original Message------
From: Erika Fagerstrom
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Sent: Jul 31, 2008 6:54 AM
Subject: Re: House

They're in the basement, but let me knpw- we can bring some upstairs. Thanks, E

----- Original Message -----
From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)
Sent: Thu Jul 31 06:48:07 2008
Subject: Re: House

Thanks, I hadnt seen them.
------Original Message------
From: Erika Fagerstrom
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Sent: Jul 31, 2008 6:40 AM
Subject: Re: House

We have them. Thanks, Erika

----- Original Message -----
From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)
Sent: Thu Jul 31 06:36:50 2008
Subject: House

Pls get small bottles of champagne for the house. Thanks
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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 11:28 AM
To: 'hart2hart@gci.net'
Subject: RE: Other

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 10:34 AM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Karen Hart

address: 17150 Charity Circle Eagle River AK 99577

907-696-4110

MESSAGE:

Your were elected by conservatives such as myself, but you are not as you advertised yourself anylonger. If you are not going to act and make decisions as a conservative republican, pleasse leave the party. I will no longer support you unless you change back to the reaons why you were elected. A 38 year resident. Larry Hart

hart2hart@gci.net

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 10:24 AM
To: Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR)
Cc: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Vote announcement

Let me know how you want to convey our message after AGIA vote. Good, bad or ugly we'll be responding of course.

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 10:09 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 4:46 AM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Peter Carter

address: PO Box 1176 Quogue NY 11959

646 709 1862

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

Congrats on the birth of your son Trig! I have a son, Owen, how is two and has Down Syndrome. He is a joy and a wonder and I'm sure Trig will be for you as well.

God bless you and please keep up the good work and know that you have huge supporters in the Big Apple and in the Empire State.

Cheers,

Peter

peter.murphy.carter@gmail.com

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 10:05 AM
To: 'lisalou629@yahoo.com'
Subject: RE: Public_Safety

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, July 30, 2008 11:50 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Public_Safety

Web mail from: Ms. Lisa Shivel

address: P O Box 225 Delta Junction AK 99737

907-460-9378

MESSAGE:

Governor Palin,

I am Chief of the Delta Rescue Squad in Delta Junction, and would like to say Thank You for not vetoing the $237,000 for a new ambulance, motorized gurney and 2 life pak 12's.

Again, thank you from all of us at Delta Rescue.

Lisa Shivel

Chief

lisalou629@yahoo.com

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 9:48 PM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Goode; Kelly C (GOV)
Cc: Britta Hanson; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Fairbanks

Hmmmm, unbelievable.

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From: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>
Date: Thu, 31 Jul 2008 21:29:48 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Balash, Joseph R (GOV)<joe.balash@alaska.gov>; Goode, Kelly C (GOV)<kelly.goode@alaska.gov>
CC: <Privileged or Personal>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)<kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Nizich, Michael A (GOV)<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>
Subject: Re: Fairbanks

Governor - I did get word this evening that the King Air is now having navigational problems and will not be back up to Alaska until sometime in September. We are going to have to use the DPS aircraft where we can and look into leasing into the other areas. Janice

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Goode, Kelly C (GOV)
Cc: Britta Hanson <Privileged or Pers>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Sent: Thu Jul 31 21:19:15 2008
Subject: Re: Fairbanks

Kelly- this is assuming you'd NEED and/or want to be there for the ceremonial bill signing. If not, we can swing it without you. We have wanted to use the event to honor AK women, especially.
Joe- gotta kill a few birds with one stone on my trip up there, so if I could meet with miners, state employees, whomever needs a visit... I'm happy to do it on this Fairbanks trip.
Janice- any chance the King Air would be available? Thanks, all.
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-----Original Message-----
From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Fri, 1 Aug 2008 05:11:14
To: Janice Mason<janice.mason@alaska.gov>; Joe Balash<joe.balash@alaska.gov>; Kelly Goode<kelly.goode@alaska.gov>
Cc: Britta Hanson<Privileged or Pers>; Kris Perry<kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Subject: Fairbanks

Since I'll be in Nenana on Friday for the bridge ceremonial bill signing, I can get up there the day before to meet with Mayor Whittaker on his energy issues.
Possibility in getting out there to meet with Bernie (at Chena) to hear his geothermal ideas too, during this Fairbanks visit.
Remember part of the purpose for the Nenana event is to honor AK Native women w/naming the bridge... so besides Britta and Kelly staffing me for that (and Joe needs to get to Fairbanks so we can talk energy, too), I would think Rhonda and/or Tara Jollie would want to participate? And if Kris wants to staff up there, then great... If not, that's cool too.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 9:56 AM
To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Number for kwhl?

I called in as a guest already

------Original Message------

From: Kris Perry

To: Governor Sarah Palin

Sent: Jul 31, 2008 8:37 AM

Subject: RE: Number for kwhl?

I'll call him after the program this morning and find out.

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 8:34 AM

To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: Number for kwhl?

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Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 9:54 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

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From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, July 30, 2008 7:31 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Rita Dotson

address: 106 West 24th St. Benton KY 42025

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor,

I am the Mother of a 16 year old son with Down Syndrome. Get ready for the ride of your life!! Yes, they are a lot of work, but they are a lot of joy. There is never a dull moment in our house. My Son, Tyler, loves music of any kind. If you will go to youtube and on the search, type in Mylo & Tylo and Mylo and Tylo 2008. Tyler is singing Long Black Train with the Smith Brothers, a local Gospel group. They are singing both times to raise money for the Exceptional Center, a learning center for mentally and physically challenged adults.

God Bless you and your family on your wonderful and sometimes frustrating journey. I promise you wouldn't trade it for anything in the world.

Sincerely,

Rita in Kentucky

dougdotson@newwavecomm.net

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 9:43 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

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From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, July 30, 2008 3:59 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Amber Van Ness

address: 32333 Eaqsville Wasilla AK 99645

MESSAGE:

I am making this annonymous so that whoever recieves this email and I am hoping that it is the governor...that she is the most worthless person I have ever met. Sadly enough that I feel I know much more politics than she does and I am half her age. She uses people and thinks shes pretty...how about all the makeup she puts on..... grow up and resign - YOU SUCK.. and i would hope you as her secretary would realize how much of child she is for attacking Lyda Green. Lyda Green is 10x more respected than Sarah is...if Sarah has to make like and attack a respectable woman who has done well for her state then she needs to move ASAP...

yaho@yahoo.com

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 8:43 AM
To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Frank Bailey; Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: Number for kwhl?

Anyone have kwhl's number I'm supposed to use?

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Thu, 31 Jul 2008 16:34:03

To: Kris Perry<kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Subject: Number for kwhl?

What # did bob want me to call in on?

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Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 8:34 AM
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Subject: Number for kwhl?

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Subject: Re: Kudlow

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Sent: Jul 31, 2008 7:48 AM

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Sent: Thu Jul 31 07:43:59 2008

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Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 8:33 AM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: Kudlow

Was that their feature story?

------Original Message------

From: Sharon Leighow

To: Governor Sarah Palin

Sent: Jul 31, 2008 8:32 AM

Subject: RE: Kudlow

French's comments were way out of line - so much for a feature story.

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Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 7:49 AM
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Subject: Re: Kudlow

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To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
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Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 7:37 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Re: House

Bristol said she'd go with me today to get the espresso machine. I have a check, so we're ready.

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)

Sent: Thu Jul 31 07:12:48 2008

Subject: Re: House

Yes, we'll need some upstairs.

------Original Message------

From: Erika Fagerstrom

To: Governor Sarah Palin

Sent: Jul 31, 2008 6:54 AM

Subject: Re: House

They're in the basement, but let me knpw- we can bring some upstairs. Thanks, E

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)

Sent: Thu Jul 31 06:48:07 2008

Subject: Re: House

Thanks, I hadnt seen them.

------Original Message------

From: Erika Fagerstrom

To: Governor Sarah Palin

Sent: Jul 31, 2008 6:40 AM

Subject: Re: House

We have them. Thanks, Erika

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)

Sent: Thu Jul 31 06:36:50 2008

Subject: House

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From: Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=EFAGERSTROM]
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 7:30 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Re: House

We'll take care of that so they're ready.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 7:22 AM
To: Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Irwin; Tom E (DNR)
Subject: In-state line

When will the AO be able to be signed? And when that happens we'll need good talking pts to announce it. Thanks

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 6:36 AM
To: Bishop; Clark C (DOL)
Subject: Re:

Thank you! Keep praying too.

------Original Message------

From: Click Bishop

To: Governor Sarah Palin

Sent: Jul 31, 2008 6:18 AM

Subject:

Gov palin I think I was able to make some good progress with bill after our meeting yesterday am click

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 10:21 PM
To: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Goode; Kelly C (GOV)
Cc: Britta Hanson; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Fairbanks

Got it. I'll just plan on commercial or road trip transportation through August. Thanks

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From: "Nizich, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>
Date: Thu, 31 Jul 2008 22:20:16 -0800
To: ExternalEmailgsp<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Mason, Janice L (GOV) <janice.mason@alaska.gov>; Balash, Joseph R (GOV)<joe.balash@alaska.gov>; Goode, Kelly C (GOV)<kelly.goode@alaska.gov>
CC: Britta Hanson<Privileged or Personal>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)<kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Subject: RE: Fairbanks

Go figure. I talked to public safety and it's the avionics giving them problems again, so they say. It will have to stay down in the lower 48 until they get it fixed. I would be concerned to get on it with all the problems they have had with it.

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thu 7/31/2008 9:47 PM
To: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Goode, Kelly C (GOV)
Cc: Britta Hanson; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Fairbanks

Hmmmm, unbelievable.

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From: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>
Date: Thu, 31 Jul 2008 21:29:48 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; Balash, Joseph R (GOV)<joe.balash@alaska.gov>; Goode, Kelly C (GOV)<kelly.goode@alaska.gov>
CC: <Privileged or Personal>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)<kris.perry@alaska.gov>; Nizich, Michael A (GOV)<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>
Subject: Re: Fairbanks

Governor - I did get word this evening that the King Air is now having navigational problems and will not be back up to Alaska until sometime in September. We are going to have to use the DPS aircraft where we can and look into leasing into the other areas. Janice

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To: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Goode, Kelly C (GOV)
Cc: Britta Hanson <Privileged or Perso>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Sent: Thu Jul 31 21:19:15 2008
Subject: Re: Fairbanks

Kelly- this is assuming you'd NEED and/or want to be there for the ceremonial bill signing. If not, we can swing it without you. We have wanted to use the event to honor AK women, especially.
Joe- gotta kill a few birds with one stone on my trip up there, so if I could meet with miners, state employees, whomever needs a visit... I'm happy to do it on this Fairbanks trip.
Janice- any chance the King Air would be available? Thanks, all.
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-----Original Message-----
From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Fri, 1 Aug 2008 05:11:14
To: Janice Mason<janice.mason@alaska.gov>; Joe Balash<joe.balash@alaska.gov>; Kelly Goode<kelly.goode@alaska.gov>
Cc: Britta Hanson<Privileged or Perso>; Kris Perry<kris.perry@alaska.gov>
Subject: Fairbanks

Since I'll be in Nenana on Friday for the bridge ceremonial bill signing, I can get up there the day before to meet with Mayor Whittaker on his energy issues.
Possibility in getting out there to meet with Bernie (at Chena) to hear his geothermal ideas too, during this Fairbanks visit.
Remember part of the purpose for the Nenana event is to honor AK Native women w/naming the bridge... so besides Britta and Kelly staffing me for that (and Joe needs to get to Fairbanks so we can talk energy, too), I would think Rhonda and/or Tara Jollie would want to participate? And if Kris wants to staff up there, then great... If not, that's cool too.
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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 1:27 PM
To: David Carey
Subject: RE: Wall Street Journal story on Sarah

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: David Carey [mailto:dcarey@ci.soldotna.ak.us]

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 11:36 AM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); 'Governor'

Subject: FW: Wall Street Journal story on Sarah

Thursday, July 31, 2008 11:33 AM

Dear Governor Palin:

I am most pleased that the last words in this Wall Street Journal article about you are my comments regarding my support for you. When Jim Carlton wrote and asked my opinion about what was going on concerning you, I had a good deal more to say about those who were against your good works however this was all he printed.

Please maintain the great job you are doing for Alaska and Alaskans.

Mayor Dave Carey, Soldotna

-----Original Message-----

From: Carlton, Jim [mailto:Jim.Carlton@wsj.com]

Sent: Wednesday, July 30, 2008 10:13 PM

To: David Carey

Subject: re: Wall Street Journal story on Sarah

Hi Dave. fyi, here is a courtesy copy of my article on Sarah, which is in Thursday's Wall Street Journal. You had the last word in the piece. Thanks again for your help. Best, Jim

WSJ(7/31) Alaska's Star Governor Palin Faces Probe

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(From THE WALL STREET JOURNAL)

By Jim Carlton

ANCHORAGE, Alaska -- When Sarah Palin was elected governor as a Republican
outsider in 2006, she didn't just take on an incumbent from her own party. She
took on Alaska's Republican establishment.

Ms. Palin vowed to clean up a long-cozy political system that had been sullied
by an FBI corruption investigation. She endeared herself to Alaskans by making
good on her reform promises and showing homey touches, like driving herself to
work.

Now, one of the bright new stars in the Republican Party has suddenly

become
tarnished. The state legislature this week voted to hire an independent investigator to see whether Ms. Palin abused her office by trying to get her
former brother-in-law fired from his job as an Alaska state trooper.

"This is a governor who was almost impervious to error," says Hollis French, a
Democratic state senator. "Now she could face impeachment, in a worst-case
scenario."

The allegations against Ms. Palin are less serious than -- and entirely
separate from -- those that have been leveled against a number of Alaska's most
prominent politicians since 2006, when a Federal Bureau of Investigation probe
into influence peddling by oil-field contractor VECO Corp. came to light.

Since then, five state legislators have been sentenced to prison or face
prosecution on corruption charges. On Tuesday, U.S. Sen. Ted Stevens was indicted on criminal charges related to the case. Mr. Stevens says he is innocent.

This is the first real chink in the armor of Alaska's first woman governor,
whose popularity soared above 80% as she enacted an ethics bill, shelved pork-barrel projects by fellow Republicans and jump-started a campaign by her
lieutenant governor, Sean Parnell, to unseat veteran U.S. Rep. Don Young of

Alaska. Mr. Young has fallen under the FBI probe, too. Mr. Young, who didn't
return a call seeking comment, has previously declined to comment on the matter.

Ms. Palin has shown similar boldness in going after Big Oil, whose money has
long dominated the state and helped fund its Republican machine. In a snub to
the oil majors, she has proposed TransCanada Corp., a Calgary energy company, be
given the primary contract to lead the $30 billion job to build a natural-gas
pipeline from Alaska's North Slope.

The state legislature is now meeting in special session to consider the
TransCanada deal. The state's major producers, BP PLC and ConocoPhillips, have
come up with their own pipeline proposal.

Although Alaska has only about 700,000 residents, the state contains some of
the richest mineral resources in the world.

Ms. Palin -- a 44-year-old mother of five and former mayor of Wasilla, Alaska
(population 8,500), and winner of the Miss Wasilla pageant -- has gained
national acclaim. She has been featured in a photo spread in Vogue. Some pundits
have touted the antiabortion conservative as a potential running mate to
Republican presidential contender John McCain.

A spokesman for the Arizona senator said he admires Ms. Palin but is still
reviewing running mates.

"People see her as the symbol of purity in an atmosphere of corruption," says
Anchorage pollster Marc Hellenthal. "She is almost Saint Sarah."

A native of Idaho who grew up in Alaska hunting and fishing, Ms. Palin made an
early stand on ethics. In 2004, she resigned as chair of the Alaska Oil and Gas
Conservation Commission after Gov. Frank Murkowski appointed the chairman of the
Alaska Republican Party to a seat on her commission while allowing him to keep
his partisan post. "Someone has to take a stand and change some things," Ms.
Palin said in a June interview in her 17th-floor office in downtown Anchorage,
whose decor includes a grizzly-bear skin.

When she ran against Mr. Murkowski in 2006, Ms. Palin says, she got a call
from Ben Stevens, then president of the Republican-run Alaska Senate and son of
Sen. Stevens. "He told me, 'You're not just running against Murkowski. You're
running against me, my dad, the whole state Republican party,'" Ms. Palin said.

Ben Stevens, who remains under the FBI investigation, didn't return calls for

comment.

Ms. Palin, whose husband, Todd Palin, is employed as an oil-field worker and
fisherman, set an earthier style in office than her predecessors. She sold the
jet Mr. Murkowski used to get around Alaska, relying instead on commercial
airlines, her family's Volkswagen Jetta or a state-issued black Suburban. "I
love to drive," she explained.

That penchant for independence -- and driving -- has occasionally caused
problems. On June 18, she blamed her half-hour delay in arriving to a
tourism-bill ceremony in Kenai on road construction. "Todd kept reminding me to
bite my tongue, saying, 'Good roads are comin'! Good roads are comin'!" Ms.
Palin said to laughter from a small crowd in a converted fish cannery.

Ms. Palin said afterward that she had ducked down to keep state troopers from
seeing her as the family negotiated roadwork on the 160-mile drive from
Anchorage to Kenai. "I knew they would wave me through," said Ms. Palin, as her
husband, a four-time winner of Alaska's Tesoro Iron Dog snow-machine race, held
their baby, Trig.

The controversy now surrounding Ms. Palin stems from a messy divorce between
state trooper Mike Wooten and his wife, Molly McCann, who is Ms. Palin's

younger
sister.

In 2005, Ms. Palin alleged to Mr. Wooten's supervisors that he had threatened
to harm her sister and father and had engaged in numerous instances of misconduct, including using a stun gun on his 10-year-old stepson, according to
state documents.

In one instance, she told state investigators, she overheard him on the
telephone threatening her sister: "I'm gonna f-kin' shoot your dad. He's gonna
get a lead bullet."

Mr. Wooten told investigators he tested a Taser stun gun on the boy at his
request but never threatened the Palins. An internal police investigation
substantiated the stun-gun incident and some other charges but threw out most of
the rest. Mr. Wooten was suspended for five days in 2006.

Through a spokesman with the Public Safety Employees Association, he declined
to comment.

On July 11 of this year, Ms. Palin fired Department of Public Safety Commissioner Walt Monegan. Mr. Monegan then complained that she and her husband
had pressured him to fire Mr. Wooten.

Ms. Palin, in a statement, denied that, saying she had removed the

commissioner she had appointed 18 months earlier because she wanted "a new
direction."

She said she will cooperate with the legislative probe, which is expected to
be completed by November.

Ms. Palin's supporters dismiss the so-called Troopergate incident as trouble
stoked by her enemies.

"Many of those who had been in positions of power and authority have been very
envious over the past year and a half, with Ms. Palin's great popularity," says
Soldotna Mayor David Carey.

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 1:10 PM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Seniors

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 12:33 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Seniors

Web mail from: Ms. Andrea Roberts

address: PO Box 2055 Dacula GA 30019

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin....my name is Andrea Roberts and I am the mother of another very handsome little boy born with Down syndrome :) (We call it UP syndrome). His name is Reece and he is 6 years old now. I just wanted to share a very special ministry with you...it is called the Reece's Rainbow Down Syndrome Adoption Ministry. Reece's Rainbow is a registered 501(c)3 charity which promotes the international adoption of children with Down syndrome exclusively. We raise donations from individuals and private philanthropists as adoption grant funds, to help our adoptive families afford the high cost of rescuing our angels from mental institutions abroad.

Just wanted to take a moment to congratulate you on the birth of your new son, to welcome you to a very special "family of families", and to invite you to visit our site and consider sharing our waiting children with Down syndrome with people in your own family and DSA there in Alaska. The website is www.reecesrainbow.org

God bless you, and congratulations!!!

With great respect and gratitude,

Andrea Roberts, Reece's mom

bamaroberts@comcast.net

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 11:28 AM
To: Katz; John W (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Re: CONFIDENTIAL President/Alaska

Right on!

------Original Message------

From: John Katz

To: M Nizich

Cc: Janice Mason

Cc: Governor Sarah Palin

Sent: Jul 31, 2008 11:17 AM

Subject: CONFIDENTIAL President/Alaska

I wanted to make sure you know that the President will do a refueling = stop in Anchorage on August 4. I believe Janice has been informed as = well.

Whether the President will do more while he's there remains to be = seen. We should hear later today or first thing tomorrow.

Of course, they would very much like the Governor to be available.&nbs= p; More to come.

John W. = Katz

Director of = State/Federal Relations

and Special = Counsel to the Governor

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 12:46 PM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Yardley's #?

I can call after kudlow

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From: Balash, Joseph R (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JRBALASH]
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 7:00 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Cc: Goode; Kelly C (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Follow up

The senate is looking good. However, it would be helpful if you can meet with Donny Olson again.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 6:39 PM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Cc: Todd
Subject: Re: I'm at the house...

What time is my cruise speech and may I start reviewing that speech?

------Original Message------

From: Janice Mason

To: Governor Sarah Palin

Cc: Todd

Sent: Jul 31, 2008 5:04 PM

Subject: RE: I'm at the house...

Governor - I just received an email request from Carol Sturgulewski who is working on a book about the Governor's House for the past couple of years. The house will be marking its 100th anniversary in 2012, and the Friends of the Governor's Mansion Foundation want to commemorate it with the book.

Carol will be in Juneau this weekend for the events honoring the First Ladies. She will be talking with Todd about the house and would also like to talk with you in these regards. She is interested in the family's first impressions of the house, how it fits into their lives today, any interesting stories about your time at the house. This is not political, but about the history of the building itself and the families who lived there.

Carol is free on Friday and Saturday (except during the Saturday Events). Thanks, Janice

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 4:49 PM

To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR); Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Goode, Kelly C (GOV); Galvin, Patrick S (DOR); Mason, Janice L (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
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Subject: Re: I'm at the house...

The senate went in and read the Bill across in 2nd reading. They have already adjourned and will be back tomorrow to take up amendments. They have scheduled floor for 11:00 am...but keep in mind that is senate Standard time.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 5:00 PM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Dan Fiaruchii?!?!

He's back?

(He's covering Stevens' issue from DC for KTUU)

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 4:54 PM
To: Rutherford; Marty K (DNR)
Subject: Re: I'm at the house...

If folks need a reprieve over here just yell. We can order food if desired too.

------Original Message------

From: Marty Rutherford

To: Governor Sarah Palin

Sent: Jul 31, 2008 4:53 PM

Subject: Re: I'm at the house...

Nothing yet Governor. However, Senator Stedman just told one of our team that there will be amendments, and the floor session "should start soon". We will keep you informed.

Marty

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Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 4:49 PM
To: Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Goode; Kelly C (GOV); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR); Mason; Janice L (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: I'm at the house...

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 2:23 PM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: Yardley's #?

What's the best # for yardley?

------Original Message------

From: Sharon Leighow

To: Governor Sarah Palin

Sent: Jul 31, 2008 1:00 PM

Subject: RE: Yardley's #?

He has a 3 p.m. deadline - I don't know if that is our time or his (Seattle) time. Left him a message.

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 12:46 PM

To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)

Subject: Yardley's #?

I can call after kudlow

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 1:27 PM
To: dbremner@gci.net
Subject: RE: Public_Safety

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 11:27 AM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Public_Safety

Web mail from: Mr. Don Bremner

address: PO Box 20161 Juneau AK 99802

907-364-2625

MESSAGE:

Governor Palin,

Lots of average citizens support you! Stand strong and keep your courage! I'm a democrat but support you and your policies in many areas.Copy of my e-mail sent to Senator Elton for your info.

"From Don Bremner <dbremner@gci.net>

Sent Thursday, July 31, 2008 8:07 am

To Senator_Kim_Elton@legis.state.ak.us , <Senator_Kim_Elton@legis.state.ak.us>

Subject Legislative Council Work

Good Morning Senator Elton,

I've known you for quite some time as a person outside your role as a legislator and as a public official. My knowledge of you is that Kim Elton the person is Kim Elton the Senator. I've known you as a quality and caring human being.

Now, I think as Chair of the legislative council you will be tested and measured just as your findings regarding the investigation of Governor Palin's firing of the PS Commissioner Walt Monegan. As background;

You know I'm a staunch Democrat, but, in this situation regarding Governor Palin's authority to manage her administration without legislative micro-management, she has the legal and political right to make changes within her own administration.

Investigating personal family problems is exceeding your role here. I wonder? Is this investigation the same mindset of George Bush and Karl Rove? It is to me. Indirectly putting pressure on Governor Palin to try and weaken her resolve as Governor so that the legislators can have a little more leverage over the Governor.

By using a public office to investigate an employee/employer relationship is not appropriate. The troopers have their own system of rights and responsibilities that require confidentiality. Will the troopers personal record become public in this process? It should if you are going to use a public office to investigate this private matter. It now opens all of his life to public scrutiny.

At the end of the day, Due Process and personal civil liberties will be weakened in Alaska. It's not right to spend public money this way when our rural villages are dying from State neglect. This money can go to a youth program, or elders program. It's just too obvious of a scam to be using the Legislative Council to gain leverage over the Governor.

Think about it and put a quick end to this. Alaska will never become a Blue State with this sort of behavior. Our young people will see no difference between you and the Republicans. Think long term, and move on from this, its not good.

Sincerely,

Don Bremner

364-2625

dbremner@gci.net

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 9:30 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Goode; Kelly C (GOV)
Cc: 'Privileged or Person; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Fairbanks

Governor - I did get word this evening that the King Air is now having navigational problems and will not be back up to Alaska until sometime in September. We are going to have to use the DPS aircraft where we can and look into leasing into the other areas.
Janice

Sent using BlackBerry

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Goode, Kelly C (GOV)

Cc: Britta Hanson <Privileged or Personal M>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Sent: Thu Jul 31 21:19:15 2008

Subject: Re: Fairbanks

Kelly- this

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 9:19 PM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Goode; Kelly C (GOV)
Cc: Britta Hanson; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Fairbanks

Kelly- this is assuming you'd NEED and/or want to be there for the ceremonial bill signing. If not, we can swing it without you. We have wanted to use the event to honor AK women, especially.

Joe- gotta kill a few birds with one stone on my trip up there, so if I could meet with miners, state employees, whomever needs a visit... I'm happy to do it on this Fairbanks trip.

Janice- any chance the King Air would be available? Thanks, all.

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-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Fri, 1 Aug 2008 05:11:14

To: Janice Mason<janice.mason@alaska.gov>; Joe Balash<joe.balash@alaska.gov>; Kelly Goode<kelly.goode@alaska.gov>

Cc: Britta Hanson<Privileged or Personal Ma>; Kris Perry<kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Subject: Fairbanks

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Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 9:47 PM
To: Irwin; Tom E (DNR)
Cc: Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Mason; Janice L (GOV); Britta Hanson; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Flooding in Fairbanks

Thank you. Yes, we're willing to help - however that may be. I'll be in Fairbanks next Thursday, by the way. I can get there before that if I can be of assistance, as I was just emailing our schedulers about things I need to accomplish while in the Interior next week.

------Original Message------

From: Tom Irwin

To: Governor Sarah Palin

Cc: Joe Balash

Cc: Marty Rutherford

Sent: Jul 31, 2008 9:26 PM

Subject: Flooding in Fairbanks

Fyi:

Heavy rains have caused some flooding in Fairbanks along the Chena River and Tanana Rivers. I received a call from Rep Guttenberg asking if I could help get the COE to activate their flood control system near North Pole.

There is a COE employee who lives in North Pole and monitors river levels, reports the levels to an employee in Anchorage and the Anchorage employee makes the decision to activate the system.

Dick Lefebvre talked with both employees for me. The problem is coming from the Tanana River being exceptionally high (close to the 1967 flood levels) and is backing up the Chena. The COE say activating the flood control system won't help the Tanana and will cause water problems elsewhere. Makes sense. The good news, the Tanana has dropped 15 percent in the last 24hrs.

I talked to Mayor Whitaker who is flying back early from a personal trip outside because of the flooding. I let him know we were willing to help if he needed something.

Will keep you informed. Tom

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KYPERRY]
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 11:12 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Re: Fairbanks

Also, there are a couple of events the week of the 11th. The Arctic Parliamentary, etc. Janice will be giving those to you tomorrow. Also, just an FYI, I'll be up in Fairbanks for state cup soccer that week (the 11th).

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To: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Goode, Kelly C (GOV)

Cc: Britta Hanson <Privileged or Personal Ma>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

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Sent:	Thursday, July 31, 2008 1:05 PM
To:	Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Colberg; Talis J (LAW); Barnhill; Michael A (LAW)
Cc:	gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Subject:	Senior Advisor to GOV Memo

The Governor has asked that you all have a copy and are aware of this memorandum. Thanks,
Janice

Attachments:

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From: Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=AEKREITZER]

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 5:59 PM

To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'

Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV)

Subject: Service Steps for SU

Governor:

Through Mike Nizich, you authorized service steps to be implemented January 1, 2009 for members of:

- ASEA-GGU ($1.2 million for Jan.-June)
- CEA (Confidential Employees Unit) ($15,300 for Jan. – June)

This will require a supplemental appropriation for FY09.

We negotiated service steps into the PSEA contract and the Legislature funded that for the entire FY09 budget.

Privileged or Personal Material Redacted

I have recently had meetings with the Union leadership and will address the membership in a Statewide teleconference August 6.

This is the email being sent to all SU members:

Hello Fellow Supervisor,

Many of you have inquired about the SU receiving the new Longevity steps that the non-covereds and other unions recently received. We wanted to update you on our efforts in this regard and to announce a statewide teleconference that we have scheduled for NOON on August 6, 2008 (next Wednesday).

We have had several meetings with Commissioner Kreitzer concerning the longevity steps, as well as meeting to review ways we could improve our relationship with this administration. The last meeting included the SU EBoard as well as the SU Negotiators. The meetings have been cordial, and informative. Commissioner Kreitzer discussed with us her desire to work with us on the Geographic Differential Study that was included in their budget, as well as a general salary survey they would like to conduct, and changes to the evaluation system that will allow a more streamlined procedure, without sapping the supervisor's time. She also expressed an interest in addressing the whole SU so she could share with us her vision on where the State should go to address the recruitment and retention problems

that we are all experiencing. Her presentation will be included in next Wednesday's teleconference. Following her remarks, there will be time to ask her questions, and offer your comments. But we will only be scheduling an hour. Please, please remember that she is the Commissioner of Administration and deserves to be treated respectfully, just as we do.

Since there are a limited number of sites we can work into the teleconference, we are asking that employees desiring to participate in the teleconference reserve a conference room with a Speakerphone and try to get as many SU members in the area to come there. If you do reserve a room, please let us know and we will send out an email announcing locations. We'll then attempt to provide lunch at each site.

Your SU Leadership

I intend to convey your interest (as I have been) in preparing Alaska for the future – constraining the growth of government, making progress on recruiting and retaining professional, excellent State employees and getting rid of processes that impede our core competencies. They will want to know if you have made a decision regarding extending service steps to the members.

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All of the numbers used in this email are "weighted" to include the cost of benefits.

The Departments that will be most affected by this decision are:

DOA:	99 of 465 positions are SU
Corrections:	105/415
DEC:	117/322
DF&G:	332/939
DHSS:	416/2361
Labor:	126/592
DNR:	159/627
DOT/PF:	279/921

There are 1936 SU positions TODAY out of 15,136 employees. This does not include vacant positions.

Thank you for your consideration and let me know if you need additional information.
ak

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From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 4:28 PM

To: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Ruaro; Randall P (GOV)

Subject: for your review

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From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]

Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 8:45 AM

To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'

Subject: Bob and mark 349 9691

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Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 8:49 AM

To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'

Subject: bob amd mark

In case you are not on by now – I have someone running upstairs to tell them to answer the phone

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From:	Von Scheben, Leo (DOT) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=LVON_SCHEBEN]
Sent:	Tuesday, July 31, 2007 4:16 PM
To:	'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Cc:	Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)
Subject:	RE: Knik and Gravina Re: Meeting Wednesday August 1

Governor,

I'd like to take a couple minutes to address some of your concerns about what are commonly called the "Big Three" here at DOT&PF – although I have come to understand that these projects share little in the way of commonalities beyond the fact that the environmentalists dislike all three.

Gravina – This project has been driven by the local movers and shakers in Ketchikan for decades and is quite a source of frustration for this department. MacKinnon met with City, Borough and community representatives last February and very clearly delivered the message that no further work would be done on the bridge until a source of funds (+$350 million) was identified and secured. This same message has been delivered in Ketchikan to various audiences by the regional director, Mal Menzies. We further stated that DOT would not pursue any earmarks or further allocations of federal funds toward the project and have urged the community in the strongest terms we know how to find a cheaper alternative. We cannot and will not commit to building a bridge, any bridge, until all funds are in place.

As you are aware, we are currently constructing some roads on Gravina Island using earmarked funds that we are unable to use elsewhere. In addition, we have funding for a replacement ferry to the airport.

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Knik Arm Crossing (KABATA) – The Knik Arm Bridge and Toll Authority is a public corporation within the Department of Transportation (not unlike AIDEA and the Alaska Railroad) but it has a separate and independent legal existence from the state. It was created by the Legislature, but our administration has two members on the (five-member board) – designees of the Commissioners of Revenue and Transportation.

The future of KABATA is up to the private marketplace – "Will a private entity fund construction of the project in exchange for a 55 year operating concession?" Two potential teams have been selected, and an RFP is being crafted that will answer that very question. The project is waiting a formal Record of Decision on the EIS

John has recently expressed the concern that KABATA hints they may come back to the table for more state involvement through additional investment and risk sharing. DOT will not commit any more funds nor entertain a risk sharing. Our concern is that this was intended to be a public-private partnership and if the private sector demonstrates an unwillingness to invest in the project than we need to take a candid look at its need.

Juneau Access Road – We are patiently waiting for the Corps permit for the project. The Corps has lost some legal battles recently and our sense is that they are quite timid right now, particularly when it comes to high profile projects such as this. With the recent overturning of other corps actions, they want to get it (the permit) right the first time.

We presently have sufficient funds to construct the road through Berners Bay and beyond the Kensington Mine.

From that point, the construction pace will slow to make use of more limited federal funding with minimal impact to other projects statewide. So in short, we know where all the funds are coming from but we also know that they will take many years to arrive. Unlike a bridge project, a road such as this can be constructed a few million dollars at a time and every mile will have utility.

This project can do more towards reducing the operating cost of the Marine Highway System than any other project. Largely because of this, and because it forestalls the need to begin planning for several expensive vessel replacements, the department holds this project in high priority.

In Alaska, it seems every transportation project has some controversy attached to it, some more than others. Outside environmental groups (and some Alaskan groups) are trying to stop every major transportation and resource development project, whether it is Juneau Access, Pebble mine, NPR-A or ANWR. I believe we need to continue to push ahead, build roads and develop our resources for the benefit of all Alaskans.

Each of the "big three" project proposes building roads across or to largely undeveloped lands and I suppose that seems to be the common theme in all of these. In each of these projects, we have a clear course of action and I believe we should stay that course.

LEO

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2007 9:53 AM

To: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)

Cc: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Kelly, Russell T (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Von Scheben, Leo (DOT); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)

Subject: Re: Knik and Gravina Re: Meeting Wednesday August 1

Juneau access rd is, unfortunately, in this same category (until long-term funding solutions can be found).

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-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Tue, 31 Jul 2007 17:45:30

To:"Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>

Cc:"Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>,"Russell T Kelly" <russ_kelly@gov.state.ak.us>,"Kristina Y Perry" <kris_perry@gov.state.ak.us>,"Joseph R Balash" <joe_balash@gov.state.ak.us>,"Leo Von Scheben" <leo_vonscheben@dot.state.ak.us>,"Sharon W Leighow" <sharon_leighow@gov.state.ak.us>,"Kristina Y Perry" <kris_perry@gov.state.ak.us>

Subject: Knik and Gravina Re: Meeting Wednesday August 1

Im sure we can find time - and as for Kabata, I hope folks know my intention is to continue to NOT support the nonsensical notion that the state can fund Gravina and/or Knik Crossing. If the feds can't fund these projects that have minimal public support, then they're not going to happen.

I am very frustrated to hear that funds are being spent on Gravina, still, yet the project does NOT have my support bc of the funding issues, long-term.

Mike - PLEASE tell DOT their actions makes us look inconsistent (and clueless) and Federal officals will take it out on us with future funding requests bc of all the "problems" we're having to clean up - including corruption and missplaced priorities from the past.

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 31 Jul 2007 09:17:40

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Cc:"Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Subject: Meeting Wednesday August 1

Dear Governor Palin and Mr. Tibbles, I will be in Juneau tomorrow, Wednesday August 1, is there a time when we could meet to review:

The Marine Mammal Protection Act

The latest request on KABATA and the report I have on what is likely coming

The plan of action I have for the VECO matter based on our last meeting, it is a two page memo which I would like to confirm your approval of before I initiate it.

Any time tomorrow would be fine. Thanks

Talis

From: "Tara L. Jollie" <leaddog@acsalaska.net>
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2008 9:06 PM
Subject: Kotz Energy Conf

The trip was very good. Good attendance from all the surrounding villages as well as the North Slope. Regional leaders were there, so that was good. I spent a lot of time with Marie Green.

The view is mostly Regional, not much of a Statewide perspective in the crowd. Most of the feelings towards the Palin administration is positive (from the current generation) the old "TK" guard is alive and well – Shively, Scanlan, Joule, etc. But, they are on their way out, not in. The young people want to move forward and they are very progressive.

I encouraged the formation of Regional Energy Authorities as a subset of the Borough. The Regional Energy Authority could formalize a relationship to align itself with the coming Governor's Statewide Energy Policy due this coming January. That idea grew legs.

DCRA needs to provide some Planning training for the Borough and villages. They need that and my division has the experts to get it done and we will.

When I left the airport, the local radio (14,000 plus listeners thru out the NW) the DJ was urging listeners to call their elected officials and ask them to pass the gas line legislation☺ (Olsen and Higgins.)

Tara Jollie